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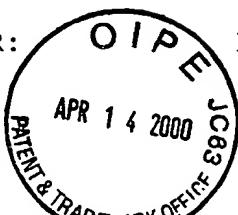
IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Eijiro WATANABE et al.

SERIAL NO: 08/992,914 GROUP: 1614

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FOR: RAFFINOSE SYNTHASE GENES AND THEIR USE



Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 14, 2000

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action dated October 14, 1999, the period for response being extended until April 14, 2000, by petition hereinbelow, the following remarks are respectfully presented.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please substitute the attached substitute specification for the originally filed specification.

Please substitute the attached substitute Sequence Listing for the previously filed substitute Sequence Listing.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4, 6-7, 9-18, 31-36, 40-41 and 43-44 are pending.

Applicants take note of the withdrawal finality of the previous Office Action and also of the allowance of the pending claims in view of new grounds of rejection.

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